@ 15%. However metcoke imported by specified end users, namely, manufacturers of iron and steel using blast furnace or COREX technology and manufacturers of Ferro alloys, attracted a concessional rate of duty of 5%. The customs duty structure for metcoke was reviewed in Budget 2003-2004 and it was decided to rationalize the customs duty on metcoke to 10%, applicable to all imports.

Expenditure by Ministries in the financial year 2002-2003

†2682. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':

SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that less than allocated expenditure is likely to be spent by certain Ministries in the year 2002-2003 under the planned expenditure head;

(b) if so, the names of these Ministries; and

(c) the percentage of under-expenditure anticipated to be incurred by each of these Ministries so far?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) to (c) Total Plan expenditure upto February 28, 2003, was 78 per cent of the Budget Estimates. Details regarding actual expenditure for the full year 2002-03 will be available on compilation of the provisional accounts in July, 2003.

Delay in payment of pensions by SBI

2683. SHRI RUMANDLA RAAMACHANDRAYYA:

SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that credit advice for payment of monthly pension in respect of VRS-employees of Delhi Branches of the

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.